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SUBJECT: U.S.-IRAN COOPERATION IN NUCLEAR ENERGY

REF: A) TEHRAN 1575, B) TEHRAN 1616, C)TEHRAN 1617

1. SUBSTANCE REFTELS A AND B DISCUSSED BY ASSTSECY RAY WITH JOHN RAYBURN, WESTINGHOUSE. WESTINGHOUSE IS DISAPPOINTED THAT LETTER OF INTENT WILL BE DELAYED FROM TIME IMPLIED BY REFTEL A, BUT DOES NOT CONSIDER THIS TO REPRESENT MAJOR CHANGE IN IRANIAN PLANS. WE UNDERSTAND WESTINGHOUSE REP IN TEHRAN CONCURS THIS VIEW AND IS PROCEEDING ON THIS BASIS. WE FIND SUGGESTION IN REFTEL B SOMEWHAT CONFUSING, SINCE WE ARE UNAWARE OF ANY U.S. SITUATION WHERE "TURNKEY CONSTRUCTOR" ENTERS INTO DIRECT CONTRACT FOR COMPLETE PROJECT WITH CUSTOMER AND SUBCONTRACTS A MAJOR COMPONENT SUCH AS NUCLEAR STEAM SUPPLY SYSTEM (REACTOR). FREQUENTLY, ARCHITECT-ENGINEER ENGAGED BY THE CUSTOMER WILL

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COORDINATE ENTIRE PROJECT, BUT ACTUAL CONTRACTS FOR MAJOR COMPONENTS NORMALLY ARE MADE DIRECTLY BETWEEN SUPPLIER AND CUSTOMER.

2. YOU MAY WISH INFORM ETEMAD OF GIST OF ABOVE PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE. YOU COULD ALSO SAY WE HOPE GOI WILL MOVE RAPIDLY TO INITIAL PROPOSED AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATION, HAVING IN MIND GOI DESIRE FOR SIGNATURE WHEN JOINT COMMISSION MEETS.

3. OTHER RELEVANT POINTS ON NUCLEAR ENERGY COOPERATION IN PARAS 3-5, REFTEL C, ARE UNDER STUDY AND WE WILL COMMENT LATER.

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